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## Remarks

This preliminary amendment removes the priority claim to U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/198,704 filed April 20, 2000 and to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Number 60/245,596 filed November 3, 2000, and completes the reference to priority applications U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/250,178 filed November 30, 2000, and U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/251,920 filed December 7, 2000.

No fee is believed due inconsequence of this Amendment, however should a fee be required, please charge same to Deposit Account 04-0416.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney if there is any question or if prosecution of this Application could be furthered by telephone.

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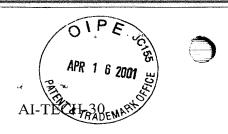
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## APPENDIX A

## **SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

Page 1: changes to paragraph beginning at line 3.

This Application claims the benefit of [U.S. Provisional Patent Application Number 60/198,704 filed April 20, 2000, of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Number 60/245,596 filed November 3, 2000, of U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/252,012 filed November 20, 2000, of U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/253,480 filed November 28, 2000, of U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/253,778 filed November 29, 2000, of U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/250,178 [60/\_\_\_\_\_] filed November 30, 2000, [entitled "Chad-less Electronic Election Process and Method with or without Smart Card, Rev. D, November 30, 2000,"] and of U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/251,920 [60/\_\_\_\_] filed December 7, 2000, [entitled "Chad-less Electronic Election Process and Method with or without Smart Card, Rev. E, December 7, 2000."]